Simulador Pronóstico de Ventas y Análisis Demanda del Mercado

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Presentación

El simulador trabaja en posibles escenarios de Pronósticos de ventas, basado en opiniones de 3 expertos en ventas e investigación.

La herramienta permite al estudiante manejar los volúmenes de demanda y el precio de venta, así la aplicación le calcula los resultados y le da las razones del mismo.



Con esta plataforma buscamos que el estudiante desarrolle la capacidad de análisis del mercado, cuáles pueden ser los diferentes escenarios de ventas y por supuesto, los porqué de los resultados obtenidos.





También la importancia de la variable *precio* en diferentes mercados y cómo afectan los mismos en los pronósticos de ventas

Por último, ver las diferentes informaciones o datos a tomar en cuenta al momento de preparar pronósticos de ventas (Tendencia de la Industria, Investigaciones de mercado, Comparaciones con la competencia, Elasticidad de la demanda)



El ejercicio de la plataforma esta basado en un producto llamado *ListenSoft*. Es un software que traduce comandos de voz y los transcribe (genera documento escrito) sin uso de un teclado.

<u>Team de Trabajo</u>

Kate Armstrong, vicepresidente de Ventas Albert Marvin, Gerente de Ventas Will Simpson, Gerente de Investigación

Luego de conocer el Team de trabajo, empezamos las simulaciones de demandas estimadas y precios, así el simulador dirá cuáles serán los resultados obtenidos.

El estudiante irá haciendo los diferentes escenarios, al finalizar tendrá sus resultados. Luego podrán ingresar de nuevo, cambiar los parámetros y así ver los diferentes resultados.

Lo más importante del simulador es que te explica las razones de los resultados

El profesor por su lado, puede revisar en su módulo, cuáles estudiantes han entrado a la plataforma, tiempo que la usaron, cuántas rondas han completado.

A continuación, imágenes del simulador.



Meet your team

Move your mouse over the images to view a brief profile of your team.







Kate Armstrong

Kate Armstrong is your vice president of sales. Armstrong has been with you ever since you started. She is extremely passionate about technology and strongly believes that ListenSoft will succeed in the marketplace.









Albert Marvin

Albert Marvin is a sales manager, working with Armstrong. Marvin has been in sales in the computer software industry for over ten years now. His sharp understanding of numbers helps him estimate market numbers intuitively.

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Will Simpson

Will Simpson is your market research manager. Simpson has been in the field of market research for the past ten years. His background in mathematics enables him to use statistical methods in market demand estimation.





Scenario

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Estimated demand for ListenSoft

70,000



Fix Demand

Demand Forecasts using macroeconomic factors

			Marketing Budget		
			High	Medium	Low
			0.35	0.35	0.30
Industry Situation	Down	0.25	65,280	59,160	53,040
	Normal	0.55	81,600	75,480	65,280
	Up	0.20	102,000	96,900	88,740

Research

Expected single point forecast - 75,123 units $(65.280 \times 0.25 \times 0.35 + 59.160 \times 0.25 \times 0.35 \text{ and so on})$

How to proceed

Refer

 Information on Industry Trends, Comparables, and Research for estimates of market demand based on each of these parameters

Observe

 The price sensitivity of demand for Voice Recognition Software

Decide

• The unit price for ListenSoft

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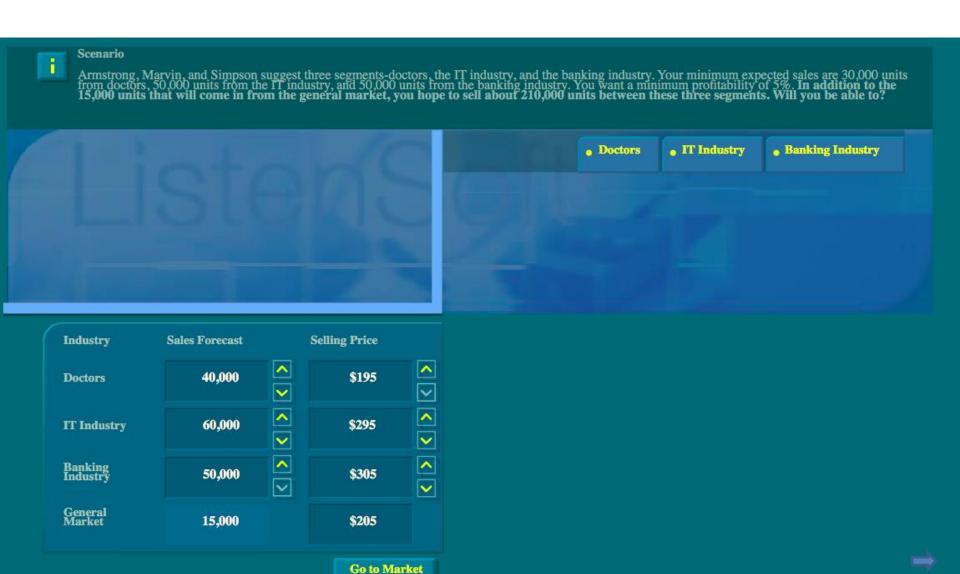
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There is a flood.

Good work! It appears as if you were led by Albert Marvin's analysis based on comparable products. This was a good technique to have chosen for predicting the demand for ListenSoft. Using comparable products tends to produce good results, especially in the field of technology products.

However, because you priced yourself a bit on the lower side, your actual sales were higher than your forecast. When you are launching a pioneering product, it might not be a bad idea to price it slightly high—the value perception at the early stages of a product's lifecycle tends to be quite high.

Forecast Sales	90,000
Actual Sales	108,000
Price	\$205



Scenario

Your overall performance has been as follows:

Forecast Sales	Actual Sales	Profitability
165,000	204,140	11.36%

Click on the tabs to see how you have performed in each of the three segments.

Doctors

IT Industry

Banking Industry

Getting a bit hot.

Your actual sales in the IT industry are lower than what you had forecast. However, your high price has ensured that your profitability is higher than your limit of 5%.

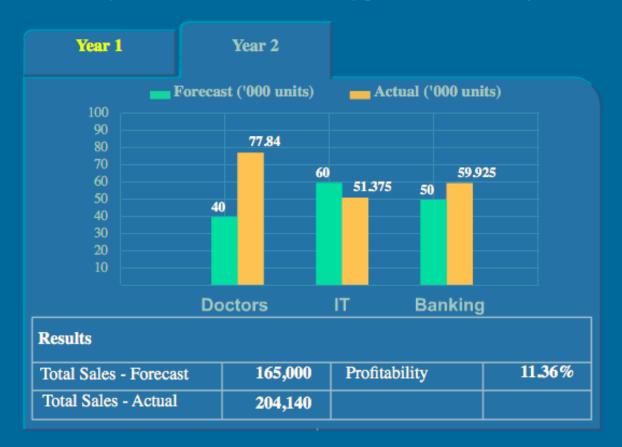
When you are forecasting demand, it is worth considering the nature of the target audience. Marvin was right when he indicated that the IT industry might promise more than it actually delivers. So you were right in toning down your forecasts—maybe you toned it down a bit too much.

When you are augmenting your product to appeal to a particular target audience, you can charge a higher price for the customization. But you need to balance the price with the sales you can expect. Maybe you could have charged a lower price and gotten more sales, while still maintaining your profitability above 5%.

Forecast Sales	Actual Sales	Profitability
60,000	51,375	19.09%

The story so far....

Here's how you have fared in Year 2. You may print these results for your records.



Move on to find out what the next year has in store for you.



How to proceed

Refer

 Information on OEM, Beyond Computers, and Simultranslation for estimates of market demand through each of these approaches

Decide

· Which strategic option to go with

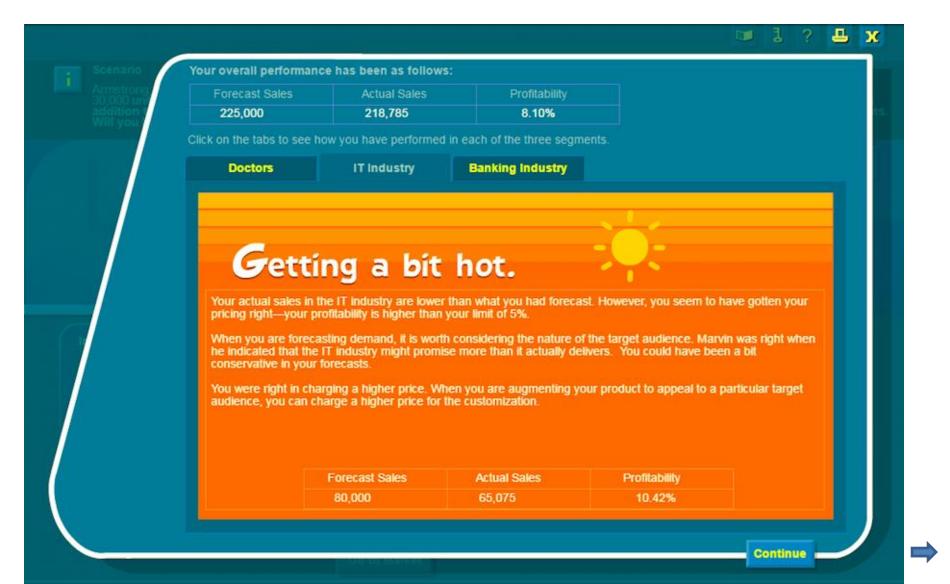
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Concept Summary

Demand forecasting, as you have experienced, is not an easy task. There are no certainties, no guarantees. In that sense, it is similar to predicting the weather! In most cases, you don't even know what could have happened if you had chosen different options.

Demand forecasting is more than just number crunching—it's a bit of analysis, a bit of interpretation, and a lot of intuition and judgment.

When translating demand estimates into production and marketing plans, it is important to support your judgment—and you should be willing to regularly adjust the demand estimates if market conditions change and/or new information becomes available. As with most other elements of marketing, flexibility is the key to marketplace success.

Much like you would exchange your shades for the umbrella, if the weather changes.



Y por último!!!!

